

REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are pending. Claims 1-23 are rejected. Claims 1-9, 11-15, 17-19, and 21-23 have been amended. No new matter has been added.

35 U.S.C. 102(e) Rejections

Claims 1-7, 9, 11, and 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Multer, U.S. Patent No. 6,671,757.

The Examiner is respectfully directed to independent Claim 1, which recites that an embodiment of the present invention is directed to:

A method for personal profile detection comprising the steps of:

- a) accepting personal profile data on a first portable computer system wherein said personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a user of said portable computer system;
- b) storing said personal profile data on said first portable computer system;
- c) providing an exchange of information between said first portable computer system and a second portable computer system proximate with said first portable computer system when shared interests exist between said personal profile data stored on said first portable computer system and personal profile data stored on said second portable computer system that is associated with and customizable by a second user.

Claim 21 recites similar limitations. Claims 2-7, 9, and 11 are dependent upon Claim 1, and recite further features of the claimed invention.

The rejection suggests that Multer discloses every limitation of the embodiments of the present invention recited in Claim 1. Applicants have reviewed Multer, and respectfully disagree. Applicants assert that Multer does not describe accepting personal

profile data on a first portable computer system wherein the personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a user of the portable computer system, as claimed. Applicants further assert that Multer does not describe storing personal profile data on the first portable computer system, as claimed. Applicants also assert that Multer does not describe providing an exchange of information between the first portable computer system and a second portable computer system proximate with the first portable computer system when shared interests exist between personal profile data stored on the first portable computer system and personal profile data stored on the second portable computer system that is associated with and customizable by a second user, as claimed.

The rejection argues, in part, that Multer teaches a method for personal profile detection comprising the step of accepting profile data on a first portable computer system wherein said profile data is customizable by a user of said portable computer system. Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner to independent Claim 1, reproduced above, and note that Claim 1 has been amended previously. The rejection's characterization of what Multer teaches is different from the recitations of the embodiments of Claims 1 and 21.

Moreover, the portion of Multer cited as teaching this claim limitation does not disclose accepting personal profile data on a first portable computer system wherein the personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a user of the portable computer system, as claimed. Applicants understand Multer to describe a system and a method for transferring data between two devices which require information to be shared

between them; see col. 5, ln. 11-14. In Multer, the information shared between the two devices is described as difference information, which is the product of a synchronizer, see col. 6, ln. 37, or a differencing transmitter or receiver, see col. 6, ln. 47-55. Multer defines difference information in terms of an example, see col. 6, ln. 3-19, as being only the changes to System B's data which have occurred on System B and instructions for implementing those changes. While Applicants acknowledge that Multer makes some mention of multiple users with multiple synchronization profiles, see col. 13, ln. 50-60, Applicants nevertheless assert that that data being discussed in Multer is limited to differences between two files or two profiles. Importantly, nowhere does Multer suggest that personal profile data be accepted on a portable computer system, wherein the personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a user of the portable computer system, as claimed.

The rejection also argues, in part, that Multer teaches a method for personal profile detection comprising the step of storing the profile data on the first portable computer system. Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner to independent Claim 1, reproduced above, and note that Claim 1 has been amended previously. The rejection's characterization of what Multer teaches is different from the recitations of the embodiments of Claims 1 and 21.

Moreover, the portion of Multer cited as teaching this claim limitation does not disclose storing personal profile data on the first portable computer system, as claimed. As discussed above, Multer describes the generation of difference information.

Applicants acknowledge that Multer discusses extracting difference information from data stored on a system. Applicants assert, however, that Multer does not disclose storing personal profile data on the first portable computer system, as claimed.

The rejection also argues, in part, that Multer teaches a method for personal profile detection comprising the step of providing for an exchange of information between said first portable computer system and a second device proximate with said first portable computer system when shared interests exist between said profile data on said first portable computer system and profile data stored on said second device that is associated with and customizable by a second user. Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner to independent Claim 1, reproduced above, and note that Claim 1 has been amended previously. The rejection's characterization of what Multer teaches is different from the recitations of the embodiments of Claims 1 and 21.

Moreover, the portion of Multer cited as teaching this claim limitation does not disclose providing an exchange of information between the first portable computer system and a second portable computer system proximate with the first portable computer system when shared interests exist between personal profile data stored on the first portable computer system and personal profile data stored on the second portable computer system that is associated with and customizable by a second user, as claimed. As discussed above, Multer describes a system and method for exchanging difference information between two systems. No where does Multer teach or suggest exchanging personal profile data, as claimed. Further, while Multer discusses synchronization of data

between two handheld computing devices, see col. 13, ln. 50 – col. 14, ln. 8, Applicants contend that Multer does not teach or suggest exchanging information when shared interests exist between two sets of personal profile data, as claimed.

Therefore, Applicants assert that Multer does not anticipate or render obvious the embodiments of the present invention recited in Claims 1 and 21. Applicants respectfully submit that these Claims overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e), and are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Applicants also respectfully submit that Claims 2-7, 9, and 11, dependent on Claim 1, overcome the basis for rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e), as they are dependent on allowable base claims.

35 U.S.C. 103(a) Rejections

Claims 12-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Multer, in view of Peterson et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,594,682.

As to Claim 12, the Examiner is respectfully directed to independent Claim 1, reproduced above. Claim 12 is dependent upon Claim 1, and recites additional features of the claimed invention.

As discussed above, Applicants assert that Multer fails to describe accepting personal profile data on a first portable computer system wherein the personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a user of the portable computer system, as claimed. Applicants further assert that Multer does not describe storing personal profile

data on the first portable computer system, as claimed. Applicants also assert that Multer does not describe providing an exchange of information between the first portable computer system and a second portable computer system proximate with the first portable computer system when shared interests exist between personal profile data stored on the first portable computer system and personal profile data stored on the second portable computer system that is associated with and customizable by a second user, as claimed.

Peterson does not remedy these defects in Multer. Applicants understand Peterson to describe client-server systems and methods for obtaining Web related content from one or more servers and presenting that content to a user; see col. 1, ln. 3-10. Applicants further understand the cited portions of Peterson to describe an example of an intermediary distribution entity, where a second webcast center receives content via satellite and redistributes the content via a RF or microwave transmission; see. col. 13, ln. 66 - col. 14, ln. 11. Peterson does not describe accepting personal profile data on a first portable computer system wherein the personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a user of the portable computer system, as claimed. Peterson does not describe storing personal profile data on the first portable computer system, as claimed. Peterson does not describe providing an exchange of information between the first portable computer system and a second portable computer system proximate with the first portable computer system when shared interests exist between personal profile data stored on the first portable computer system and personal profile data stored on the second portable computer system that is associated with and customizable by a second user, as claimed.

Therefore, Applicants assert that Multer, alone or in combination with Peterson, does not anticipate or render obvious the embodiments of the present invention recited in Claim 12. Applicants respectfully submit that this Claim overcomes the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), and are in condition for allowance.

With respect to Claims 13-18, the Examiner is respectfully directed to independent Claim 13, which recites that an embodiment of the present invention is directed to:

A personal profile detection (PPD) device comprising:

- a) a data input component;
- b) means for accepting customizable personal profile data input by a first user from said data input component, said means for accepting customizable personal profile data coupled to said data input component, wherein said customizable personal profile data is associated with and customizable by said first user;
- c) a data storage component coupled to said means for accepting customizable personal profile data, said data storage component adapted to storing said customizable personal profile data; and
- d) a RF communications receiver coupled to said means for exchanging customizable personal profile data of said first user and a second user when shared interests exists between said personal profile data associated with said first user and personal profile data associate with said second user, said RF communications receiver adapted to transmit and receive information from a proximate portable computer system.

Claims 14-18 are dependent upon Claim 13, and recite additional features of the claimed invention.

As with the argument presented above with regard to Claims 1 and 21, Applicants assert that Multer does not describe accepting customizable personal profile data, wherein said customizable personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a first

user, as claimed. Applicants also assert that Multer does not describe a data storage component for accepting customizable personal profile data, as claimed. Applicants further assert that Multer does not describe exchanging customizable personal profile data of the first user and a second user when shared interests exist between said personal profile data, as claimed.

Applicants note that the rejection's characterization of what Multer discloses is different from the recitation of the embodiments of the present invention of Claim 13.

Peterson does not remedy these defects in Multer. Applicants understand Peterson to describe client-server systems and methods for obtaining Web related content from one or more servers and presenting that content to a user; see col. 1, ln. 3-10. Applicants further understand the cited portions of Peterson to describe an example of an intermediary distribution entity, where a second webcast center receives content via satellite and redistributes the content via a RF or microwave transmission; see. col. 13, ln. 66 - col. 14, ln. 11. Peterson does not describe accepting customizable personal profile data, wherein said customizable personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a first user, as claimed. Nor does Peterson describe a data storage component for accepting customizable personal profile data, as claimed. Peterson also does not describe exchanging customizable personal profile data of the first user and a second user when shared interests exist between said personal profile data, as claimed.

Therefore, Applicants assert that Multer, alone or in combination with Peterson, does not anticipate or render obvious the embodiments of the present invention recited in Claim 13. Applicants respectfully submit that this Claim overcomes the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), and is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Applicants also respectfully submit that Claims 14-18, dependent on Claim 13, overcome the basis for rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), as they are dependent on allowable base claims.

Claim 8 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Multer, in view of Khan et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,460,038.

The Examiner is respectfully directed to independent Claim 1, reproduced above. Claim 8 is dependent upon Claim 1, and recites additional features of the claimed invention.

As discussed above, Applicants assert that Multer fails to describe accepting personal profile data on a first portable computer system wherein the personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a user of the portable computer system, as claimed. Applicants further assert that Multer does not describe storing personal profile data on the first portable computer system, as claimed. Applicants also assert that Multer does not describe providing an exchange of information between the first portable computer system and a second portable computer system proximate with the first portable computer system when shared interests exist between personal profile data stored on the

first portable computer system and personal profile data stored on the second portable computer system that is associated with and customizable by a second user, as claimed.

Khan does not remedy these defects in Multer. Applicants understand Khan to describe a system and method for creating and using an Internet browser bookmark for delivering information to a user; see col. 1, ln. 55-58. Applicants further understand the cited portions of Khan to describe a method of creating an “alarmed” bookmark, wherein a user can select a date and time to receive a reminder to visit a particular linked website. Khan does not describe accepting personal profile data on a first portable computer system wherein the personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a user of the portable computer system, as claimed. Khan does not describe storing personal profile data on the first portable computer system, as claimed. Nor does Khan describe providing an exchange of information between the first portable computer system and a second portable computer system proximate with the first portable computer system when shared interests exist between personal profile data stored on the first portable computer system and personal profile data stored on the second portable computer system that is associated with and customizable by a second user, as claimed.

Therefore, Applicants assert that Multer, alone or in combination with Khan, does not anticipate or render obvious the embodiments of the present invention recited in Claim 8. Applicants respectfully submit that this Claim overcomes the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), and are in condition for allowance.

Claim 19 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Multer, in view of Peterson, further in view of Khan.

The Examiner is respectfully directed to independent Claim 13, reproduced above. Claim 19 is dependent upon Claim 13, and recites additional features of the claimed invention.

As discussed above, Applicants assert that Multer does not describe accepting customizable personal profile data, wherein said customizable personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a first user, as claimed. Applicants also assert that Multer does not describe a data storage component for accepting customizable personal profile data, as claimed. Applicants further assert that Multer does not describe exchanging customizable personal profile data of the first user and a second user when shared interests exist between said personal profile data, as claimed.

Neither Peterson nor Khan remedies these defects in Multer. Applicants understand Peterson to describe client-server systems and methods for obtaining Web related content from one or more servers and presenting that content to a user; see col. 1, ln. 3-10. Applicants further understand the cited portions of Peterson to describe an example of an intermediary distribution entity, where a second webcast center receives content via satellite and redistributes the content via a RF or microwave transmission; see. col. 13, ln. 66 - col. 14, ln. 11. Applicants understand Khan to describe a system and

method for creating and using an Internet browser bookmark for delivering information to a user; see col. 1, ln. 55-58. Applicants further understand the cited portions of Khan to describe a method of creating an “alarmed” bookmark, wherein a user can select a date and time to receive a reminder to visit a particular linked website. Neither Peterson nor Khan describes accepting customizable personal profile data, wherein said customizable personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a first user, as claimed. Neither reference describes a data storage component for accepting customizable personal profile data, as claimed. And Peterson and Khan also fail to describe exchanging customizable personal profile data of the first user and a second user when shared interests exist between said personal profile data, as claimed.

Therefore, Applicants assert that Multer, alone or in combination with Peterson or Khan, does not anticipate or render obvious the embodiments of the present invention recited in Claim 19. Applicants respectfully submit that this Claim overcomes the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), and is in condition for allowance.

Claim 10 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Multer, in view of Rezvani et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,686,838.

The Examiner is respectfully directed to independent Claim 1, reproduced above. Claim 10 is dependent upon Claim 1, and recites additional features of the claimed embodiments.

As discussed above, Applicants assert that Multer fails to describe accepting personal profile data on a first portable computer system wherein the personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a user of the portable computer system, as claimed. Applicants further assert that Multer does not describe storing personal profile data on the first portable computer system, as claimed. Applicants also assert that Multer does not describe providing an exchange of information between the first portable computer system and a second portable computer system proximate with the first portable computer system when shared interests exist between personal profile data stored on the first portable computer system and personal profile data stored on the second portable computer system that is associated with and customizable by a second user, as claimed.

Rezvani does not remedy these defects in Multer. Applicants understand Rezvani to describe a system and method for allowing remote registration of devices, wherein one or more monitoring modules detect the addition of new devices to a module; see col. 1, ln. 32-58. Further, Applicants understand the cited portion of Rezvani to describe the use of a communications network to link an installation with a remote site, using, in one embodiment, Bluetooth. Rezvani does not describe accepting personal profile data on a first portable computer system wherein the personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a user of the portable computer system, as claimed. Rezvani does not describe storing personal profile data on the first portable computer system, as claimed. Nor does Rezvani describe providing an exchange of information between the first portable computer system and a second portable computer system proximate with the first

portable computer system when shared interests exist between personal profile data stored on the first portable computer system and personal profile data stored on the second portable computer system that is associated with and customizable by a second user, as claimed.

Therefore, Applicants assert that Multer, alone or in combination with Rezvani, does not anticipate or render obvious the embodiments of the present invention recited in Claim 10. Applicants respectfully submit that this Claim overcomes the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), and are in condition for allowance.

Claim 20 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Multer, in view of Peterson, further in view of Rezvani.

The Examiner is respectfully directed to independent Claim 13, reproduced above. Claim 20 is dependent upon Claim 13, and recites additional features of the claimed invention.

As discussed above, Applicants assert that Multer does not describe accepting customizable personal profile data, wherein said customizable personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a first user, as claimed. Applicants also assert that Multer does not describe a data storage component for accepting customizable personal profile data, as claimed. Applicants further assert that Multer does not describe

exchanging customizable personal profile data of the first user and a second user when shared interests exist between said personal profile data, as claimed.

Neither Peterson nor Khan remedies these defects in Multer. Applicants understand Peterson to describe client-server systems and methods for obtaining Web related content from one or more servers and presenting that content to a user; see col. 1, ln. 3-10. Applicants further understand the cited portions of Peterson to describe an example of an intermediary distribution entity, where a second webcast center receives content via satellite and redistributes the content via a RF or microwave transmission; see. col. 13, ln. 66 - col. 14, ln. 11. Applicants understand Rezvani to describe a system and method for allowing remote registration of devices, wherein one or more monitoring modules detect the addition of new devices to a module; see col. 1, ln. 32-58. Further, Applicants understand the cited portion of Rezvani to describe the use of a communications network to link an installation with a remote site, using, in one embodiment, Bluetooth. Neither Peterson nor Rezvani describes accepting customizable personal profile data, wherein said customizable personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a first user, as claimed. Neither reference describes a data storage component for accepting customizable personal profile data, as claimed. And Peterson and Rezvani also fail to describe exchanging customizable personal profile data of the first user and a second user when shared interests exist between said personal profile data, as claimed.

Therefore, Applicants assert that Multer, alone or in combination with Peterson or Rezvani, does not anticipate or render obvious the embodiments of the present invention recited in Claim 20. Applicants respectfully submit that this Claim overcomes the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), and is in condition for allowance.

As regards Claims 22 and 23, the rejection suggests that these claims do not add or define any additional limitation over Claims 1-13, and are therefore rejected for similar reasons. Applicants cannot determine whether the rejection rejects these Claims under 35 U.S.C. 102(e), as per Claims 1-7, 9, and 11, or under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), as per Claims 8, 10, and 12. If the latter, the rejection also does not specify which reference or combination of references are to be used to render obvious the embodiments of the present invention recited in Claims 22 and 23.

Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner to independent Claim 1, reproduced above. Independent Claim 21 recites similar limitations. Claims 22 and 23 are dependent upon independent Claim 21, and recite additional features of the claimed invention.

If the rejection intended to apply Multer to Claims 22 and 23, Applicants assert that Multer fails to describe accepting personal profile data on a first portable computer system wherein the personal profile data is associated with and customizable by a user of the portable computer system, as claimed. Applicants further assert that Multer does not describe storing personal profile data on the first portable computer system, as claimed.

Applicants also assert that Multer does not describe providing an exchange of information between the first portable computer system and a second portable computer system proximate with the first portable computer system when shared interests exist between personal profile data stored on the first portable computer system and personal profile data stored on the second portable computer system that is associated with and customizable by a second user, as claimed.

Therefore, Applicants assert that Multer does not anticipate or render obvious the embodiments of the present invention recited in Claims 22 and 23. Applicants respectfully submit that these Claims would overcome a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e), and are in condition for allowance.

If Claims 22 and 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), Applicants respectfully request clarification as to which reference or combination of references are relied upon to render the recited embodiments obvious.

Conclusion


In light of the above-listed amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request allowance of the remaining Claims.

The Examiner is urged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

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